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PROCEEDINGS OF SCIENTIFIC SOCIETIES.

THE AMERICAN ASSOCIATION FOR THE ADVANCEMENT OF SCIENCE met at St. Louis, August 21st, the session lasting a week. The president was Prof. O. C. Marsh, Prof. Simon Newcomb being the retiring president. Reports of the eclipse observers seemed to have overshadowed the papers read in the section of geology and biology. The attendance and number of papers read was smaller than the preceding year. An excursion to Colorado took place at the close of the meeting.

THE BRITISH ASSOCIATION met at Dublin, August 14th, under the presidency of Dr. Spottiswoode, the number of members present being 2,577. The addresses of Mr. Evans on Geology, of Prof. Flower on Vertebrate Zoölogy, and of Mr. Romanes on Animal Intelligence were of especial interest, as well as the address of Sir Wyville Thompson on Recent Progress in Ocean Geography.

THE MEETING OF GERMAN NATURALISTS AND PHYSICIANS was held at Cassel, September 11-18, the president being Dr. B. Stilling.

THE FRENCH ASSOCIATION FOR THE ADVANCEMENT OF SCIENCE was presided over by M. E. Fremy. Prof. Marey delivered a lecture on Graphic Researches relative to Animal Motors, and papers were read by M. Alix on the Myology of Mammals, by Prof. A. Gaudry on the Evolution of Primitive Mammals, and M. A. F. Nogues on Method in Geology and on the Climatology of Geological Times.

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SCIENTIFIC SERIALS.¹

THE AMERICAN JOURNAL OF SCIENCE.—September. On the animal of *Millepora alcicornis*, by W. N. Rice. Forest geography and archæology, by A. Gray (continued from p. 94). Notice of some recent additions to the marine fauna of the eastern coast of North America, by A. E. Verrill. The Waverly Group in Central Ohio, by L. E. Hicks. On some primordial fossils from South-eastern Newfoundland, by J. F. Whiteaves. New pterodactyle from the Jurassic of the Rocky mountains, by O. C. Marsh.

SIEBOLD AND KÖLLIKER'S ZEITSCHRIFT FÜR WISSENSCHAFTLICHE ZOOLOGIE.—July 30, 1878. On the Siphonophores of deep water, by Th. Studer. Morphology of the Oxytrichinæ, by V. Sterki. Trichaster elegans, by H. Ludwig. Contributions to a knowledge of the Tomopteridæ, by F. Vejdovsky. Contributions to a knowledge of the natural history of the Caprellæ, by A. Gamroth.

QUARTERLY JOURNAL OF CONCHOLOGY.—August. List of shells of Iowa, by F. M. Witter.

¹ The articles mentioned under this head are usually selected.